

## 71ST REGIMENT IS ON WAR DUTY, "SOMEWHERE IN NEW YORK"

4 INDEPENDENTS  
AND A REPUBLICAN  
HELP ELECT CLARKSpeaker Chosen In Hour and  
Forty Minutes as He Had  
Predicted.

APPLAUSE GREET HIM.

Declares His Task Will Be  
Difficult, but He Aims to  
Be Absolutely Fair.WASHINGTON, April 2.—Speaker  
Clark was elected to-day by a vote  
of 217 to 205 over his Republican op-  
ponent, Representative Mann, as the  
first step in organization of the House  
of Representatives—the necessary pre-  
liminary to the delivery of President  
Wilson's "war" address.All of the Democrats present and  
four of the so-called Independents,  
Martin, Progressive Protectionist of  
Louisiana; McCall, Progressive of Min-  
nesota; London, Socialist of New York,  
and Randall, Prohibitionist of Cal-  
ifornia, voted for Clark.Two Republicans, Gardner and Pul-  
ler of Massachusetts, voted for Repre-  
sentative Lenroot of Wisconsin, Repre-  
sentative Dillingham of Massachusetts,  
and Gray of New Jersey voted for Repre-  
sentative Gillett of Massachusetts,  
and Representative James of Michigan  
and Haskell of New York, Republicans,  
voted present.Former Senator Mason of Illinois  
was the only Republican who voted  
for Clark. The Speaker was escorted  
to the chair by a committee of which  
Representative Mann was the chair-  
man. He was greeted with loud ap-  
plause from both sides of the chamber  
as he spoke in part as follows:"I fully appreciate the fact that  
it will be exceedingly difficult to dis-  
charge the duties of the Speakership  
in this House. It will be almost im-  
possible to do so without the hearty  
co-operation of the members without  
regard to party affiliations. I will use  
my utmost endeavor to be absolutely  
fair and I invoke the aid of all the  
members in doing so.""It is absolutely unnecessary and  
superfluous to lecture the membership  
on patriotism. We are all patriots,  
as are the people who elected us. We  
are all Americans, whether we be  
Republican or Democrat, and we are  
all citizens, as are our constituents.  
On many questions we are distinct  
as the billows, yet we are one as the  
sea, when the honor and safety of  
the Republic is involved. Politics  
finds no place in this House when the  
general welfare and the common de-  
fense of the Nation are at stake. Let  
all the ends we aim at be our country's  
and in the accomplishment of  
these ends may the God of our fathers  
be with us and guide us in the way  
which will redound to the honor and  
perpetuity of the greatest Republic  
that ever existed in all the flood of  
time."The Speaker took the oath at 1:50  
o'clock and members then were sworn  
into office in groups by States.  
Speaker Clark's election was ef-  
fected in exactly one hour and forty  
minutes after the House convened,  
the exact time he predicted a fort-  
night ago.The official vote on the Speakership  
was: Clark, 217; Mann, 205; Gillett, 21;  
Lenroot, 2; present, 3; a total of 228.  
Representative Schallert attended the  
House when he nominated Clark.In normal times, he said, he would  
vote for Mann."To-day," Schallert said, "there should  
be just one party, and that party the  
American party. There is no better  
way of standing by the President than  
by returning his party's organization  
of the House. I shall cast my vote  
for that progressive Democrat—  
Champ Clark.""This is no time for any man to  
criticize the President or the United  
States, but I beg leave to say that  
it would be better for the country if  
the President were compelled to con-  
sult the Republicans as well as the  
Democrats," Lenroot said in second-  
ing Mann's nomination. "You gentle-  
men probably will organize this  
House to-day, but I want to say that  
in the days to come there will be no  
partisanship."Nearly the entire Senate membership  
was present when Vice President  
Marshall called for order and  
after the association of the President's  
proclamation calling the extraordinary  
session was read.In both the House and the Senate  
the chaplains referred to the problems  
confronting Congress.Senator Johnson of California was  
sworn in.The Senate after being in session  
about ten minutes, recessed to await  
organization of the House. Senators  
Martin and Gillingham, the two party  
leaders, were appointed to act with a  
House committee in notifying Presi-dent Wilson that Congress is ready to  
receive a communication from him.  
National defense war measures and  
bills for patriotic purposes predomi-  
nated in the great number of bills in-  
troduced to-day in Congress.  
One of the first was by Representa-  
tive Kahn of California to provide for  
universal military training for men  
between eighteen and twenty-two.  
A resolution asking the President  
to designate June 14, the 140th anni-  
versary of the American flag, as a  
day for the holding of patriotic meet-  
ings throughout the country, was in-  
troduced by Representative Stiegel of  
New York.A bill proposing the sale of postal  
savings bonds in small denominations  
from \$1 to \$100, introduced by Repre-  
sentative Howard of Georgia, is de-  
signed to enable patriotic men and  
women to take a stake in the Govern-  
ment. He predicted its enactment as a  
preparatory measure would result in  
raising at least \$750,000,000 in thirty  
days.The sundry civil and general defen-  
sion appropriation bills were intro-  
duced. They are two of the supply bills  
that failed in the last Congress.  
Materially amended to make it ef-  
fective in promptly raising armed  
forces, Senator Chamberlain, chair-  
man of the Senate Military Commit-  
tee, to-day virtually completed his  
universal Compulsory Military Train-  
ing bill.The chief change provides for regis-  
tration and training this year of men  
between twenty and twenty-three.  
In subsequent years men of twenty-  
one, twenty-two and twenty-three  
years would be subject to training  
upon call of the President. The  
amendments were decided upon by  
Senator Chamberlain after a recent  
conference with President Wilson on  
the subject of universal training.A comprehensive Administration  
measure dealing with neutrality viola-  
tions, espionage, injury to vessels,  
jurisdiction of interference with for-  
eign relations and commerce, falsifi-  
cation of passports and other similar  
questions was introduced to-day by  
Representative Webb of North Caro-  
lina, who will be chairman of the  
Judiciary Committee. The bill em-  
bodies all the Administration mea-  
sures on those subjects which passed  
the Senate in the last Congress.RUSSIANS STILL DRIVE  
THE TURKS BEFORE THEMTwo More Towns Occupied by  
Forces Advancing West of Kerind  
on Mesopotamian Border.PETROGRAD, April 2 (via London).—  
Russian troops moving westward  
from Kerind in Persia are approaching  
the Mesopotamian border near Khan-  
kin, continuing to drive the Turks be-  
fore them, to-day's War Office state-  
ment indicates. Two additional towns  
have been occupied by this column.The more northerly column, which  
already has captured Mesopotamia,  
border south of Kerind, has held its  
newly won ground there, breaking up  
a Turkish offensive movement.LONDON, April 2.—A Bonar  
Law member of the British War  
Council, to-day stated in the House  
of Commons that the total casualties  
suffered by the Turks in the battle of  
Gaza, including the 1,000,000, the  
total number of British killed, he  
added, was less than 400.KAISER AND EMPEROR  
MEET, WITH ADVISERSCharles Goes to the German Head-  
quarters, Taking His Foreign  
Minister Along.AMSTERDAM, April 2 (via Lon-  
don).—A telegram from Vienna says  
that Emperor Charles of Austria-Hun-  
gary, having expressed the wish to  
make the acquaintance as soon as  
possible of Empress Augusta Victoria  
of Germany, Emperor Charles and his  
consort will depart to-night for Ger-  
man headquarters for a short visit  
to the German Emperor and Empress.Inasmuch as the visit will give op-  
portunity for the German and Aus-  
trian rulers to discuss political mat-  
ters, Emperor Charles will be ac-  
companied by his Foreign Minister,  
Count Czernin. The German Chan-  
cellor, Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg,  
is at German headquarters.

## FOR THROUGH BRIDGE CARS.

Chairman Strauss Urges Action on  
Sixth Street Line.A request to expedite action on  
that Fifty-ninth Street cars of the Third  
Avenue Railway system may have a  
through route over Queensboro Bridge  
was made to Mayor Mitchell to-day by  
Oscar S. Strauss, chairman of the Public  
Service Commission.To run these cars directly across the  
bridge it is necessary to build a connect-  
ing track, but the Commission has been  
informed that the city authorities have  
refused to discuss political mat-  
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companied by his Foreign Minister,  
Count Czernin. The German Chan-  
cellor, Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg,  
is at German headquarters.In a letter to the Mayor, Chairman  
Strauss points out that no objection was  
made by the city or by the Bureau of  
Franchises at the hearings.CZAR AND CZARINA  
FULLY ISOLATED;  
COURTIERS JAILEDRussian Police Discover Plot  
to Make Grand Duke  
Nicholas Ruler.PETROGRAD, April 2.—Orders have  
been issued by the Russian Provi-  
sional Government for the transfer to  
the Fortress of St. Peter and St. Paul  
of all personages now with the de-  
posed Emperor at Tsarskoe-Selo. Thus  
the former Emperor and Empress will  
be completely isolated.The recent arrest of the Grand  
Duchess Marie Pavlovna, a cousin of  
the former Russian Emperor and di-  
vorced wife of Prince William of  
Sweden and a group of personages in  
the entourage of Grand Duke Boris  
has led, according to the police, to the  
discovery of a plot in which the  
Grand Duchess and two Grand Dukes  
were involved for the proclaiming of  
Grand Duke Nicholas as Emperor of  
Russia. Grand Duke Nicholas is now  
in the Crimea.Grand Duchess Olga of Russia, a  
sister of the abdicated Emperor, who  
divorced the Duke of Oldenburg, has  
just married Capt. Kudikovsky of the  
Russian cavalry. The officers of the  
Captain's regiment have asked Kudi-  
kovsky to resign owing to his alliance  
with the House of Romanov.The Polish members of the Duma  
and Council of Ministers have sent a  
declaration to the President of the  
Duma, Michael Rodzianko, tendering  
their resignations on the ground that  
their continuance in office would be  
incongruous in view of the fact that  
the Government Council, the work-  
men, soldiers and Deputies have ac-  
knowledgeed and proclaimed the inde-  
pendence of Poland.Russian Soldiers in France Take  
Oath of Allegiance.PARIS, April 2.—Delegations of  
officers and soldiers of Russian regiments  
serving on the French front,  
headed by Col. Count Ignatieff, Mil-  
itary Attache of the Russian Em-  
bassy, have taken the oath of alle-  
giance to the new Russian Govern-  
ment in the Russian Church in Paris.

## CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

With net change from previous closing.

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Am. Hoe Sugar	27 1/2	27 1/4	+ 1/4
Am. Lumber	27 1/2	27 1/4	+ 1/4
Am. Oil	27 1/2	27 1/4	+ 1/4
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